

Essentials for friendship



How to support the social develop

What can you see? is an exciting new resource inspired by the experiences of children and young people who are blind or partially sighted. Their peers, teachers, family and friends often ask them “What can you see?” and it can be a challenge to reply in a way that is helpful to themselves and to others.

Many young people with sight impairments need active support from professionals to develop the social skills needed for friendship.

“He said the workshop had helped him more than anything to date – his life in school was transformed.”



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ment of children with sight loss

Making it happen

This book:

- is written by an educational psychologist with extensive experience of working with children with visual impairment
- improves your understanding of the true impact of sight loss for young people and the challenges to their social development and well-being
- uses case examples to illustrate positive ways to promote the development of social skills, from the early years through to adolescence
- includes fun workshop resources to educate the peer group of children and young people with visual impairment in schools and clubs.



Essential reading for:

- teachers supporting blind or partially sighted learners
- leaders of children's after-school activities
- coordinators of social and emotional learning
- educational psychologists
- sensory support services.

“Developing a ‘feelings’ vocabulary is key for learning to get along with others...”

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